



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

**Ted Strickland**, Governor  
**Lee Fisher**, Lt. Governor  
**Chris Korleski**, Director

December 20, 2010

RE: Ohio EPA Permit No: 11N00006\*HD  
Facility Name: GE Aircraft Engines

GE Aircraft Engines  
1 Neumann Way  
Evendale, OH 45215

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Transmitted herewith is one copy of the final National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit referenced above.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Section 3745.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. The appeal must be in writing and shall set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. It must be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00 which the Commission, in its discretion, may reduce if by affidavit you demonstrate that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Directors within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission  
309 South Fourth Street, Room 222  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Sincerely,

Patti L. Smith, Supervisor  
Permit Processing Unit  
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

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# Ohio EPA Invoice/Receipt

Date Printed: December 17, 2010

Revenue ID: 799282

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Organization ID: 61773

Information: General Electric Co

1 Neumann Way Mail Drop N123

Cincinnati, OH 45215-

Due Date: February 16, 2011

Amount Due: \$1,275.00

Effective Date: February 01, 2011

Revenue Description: DSW- NPDES Permit Issuance

Program Name: Surface Water Programs

Reason: NPDES permit renewal issuance 1IN00006\*HD-GE Aircraft Engines

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Next Interest Date (if applicable): March 18, 2011

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**Please write this number on your check. Revenue ID: 799282**

**Make check or money order payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio"**

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Columbus, OH 43260-2711

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Application No. OH0010286

Issue Date: December 20, 2010

Effective Date: February 1, 2011

Expiration Date: January 31, 2016

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Authorization to Discharge Under the  
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

In compliance with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq., hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), and the Ohio Water Pollution Control Act (Ohio Revised Code Section 6111),

General Electric Aircraft Engines

is authorized by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, hereinafter referred to as "Ohio EPA," to discharge from the GE Aircraft Engines wastewater treatment works located at 1 Neumann Way, Evendale, Ohio, Hamilton County and discharging to Mill Creek in accordance with the conditions specified in Parts I, II, and III of this permit.

In accordance with the antidegradation rule, OAC 3745-1-05, I have determined that a lowering of water quality in Mill Creek is necessary. Provision (D)(1)(d) was applied to this application. This provision excludes the need for the submittal and subsequent review of technical alternatives and social and economic issues related to the degradation. Other rule provisions, however, including public participation and appropriate intergovernmental coordination were required and considered prior to reaching this decision.

This permit is conditioned upon payment of applicable fees as required by Section 3745.11 of the Ohio Revised Code.

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight on the expiration date shown above. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the above date of expiration, the permittee shall submit such information and forms as are required by the Ohio EPA no later than 180 days prior to the above date of expiration.



Chris Korleski  
Director

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Part I, A. - FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. During the period beginning on the effective date and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge in accordance with the following limitations and monitoring requirements from outfall 1IN00006001. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for locations of effluent sampling.

Table - Final Outfall - 001 - Final

Effluent Characteristic Parameter	Discharge Limitations				Monitoring Requirements		
	Concentration Maximum	Minimum	Specified Units	Loading* Daily	Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months
00010 - Water Temperature - C	29	-	-	28	-	-	-
00300 - Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l	-	5.0	-	-	1/Week	Grab	All
00400 - pH - S.U.	9.0	6.5	-	-	1/Week	Grab	All
00552 - Oil and Grease, Hexane Extr Method - mg/l	10	-	-	10	1/Week	Grab	All
34010 - Toluene - ug/l	2400	-	-	-	2/Month	Grab	All
34030 - Benzene - ug/l	-	-	-	-	2/Month	Grab	All
34371 - Ethylbenzene - ug/l	1400	-	-	108	2/Month	Grab	All
34696 - Naphthalene - ug/l	160	-	-	76	2/Month	Grab	All
50050 - Flow Rate - MGD	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Continuous	All
61428 - Chronic Toxicity, Pimephales promelas - TUC	-	-	-	-	1/Quarter	Composite	Quarterly
77222 - 1,2,4,-Trimethylbenzene - ug/l	180	-	-	13	2/Month	Grab	All
81551 - Xylene, Total - ug/l	-	-	-	-	2/Month	Grab	All

Notes for Station Number 1IN00006001:

- Sampling shall be performed when discharging. If NO DISCHARGE OCCURS DURING THE ENTIRE MONTH, report "AL" in the first column of the first day of the month on the 4500 Form (Monthly Operating Report). A signature is still required.
- For the parameters of Oil & Grease, Toluene, Benzene, Ethylbenzene, and Xylene, sampling shall be representative of wastewaters generated during engine and/or component testing.
- Bioassays shall be conducted when the ground water remediation treatment works is discharging.

- "Quarterly" is defined as the months of March, June, August and December.

- See Part II, Items G, H and K.

Part I, A. - FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. During the period beginning on the effective date and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge in accordance with the following limitations and monitoring requirements from outfall 1IN00006002. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for locations of effluent sampling.

Table - Final Outfall - 002 - Final

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations					Monitoring Requirements				
	Concentration Specified Units			Loading* kg/day		Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months		
	Maximum	Minimum	Weekly	Monthly	Daily				Weekly	Monthly
Parameter										
00400 - pH - S.U.	9.0	6.5	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab		All
00552 - Oil and Grease, Hexane Extr Method - mg/l	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab		All
50050 - Flow Rate - MGD	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	24hr Total Estimate		All

Notes for Station Number 1IN00006002

- Sampling shall be performed when discharging. If NO DISCHARGE OCCURS DURING THE ENTIRE MONTH, report "AL" in the first column of the first day of the month on the 4500 Form (Monthly Operating Report). A signature is still required.

- The flow rate shall be based on surface area (including building roofs) belonging to the entity that is tributary to this outfall, average runoff factors, and recorded rainfall amounts using an on-site rain gauge.

- See Part II, Items D and H.

Part I, A. - FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. During the period beginning on the effective date and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge in accordance with the following limitations and monitoring requirements from outfall 1IN00006601. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for locations of effluent sampling.

Table - Internal Monitoring Station - 601 - Final

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations					Monitoring Requirements							
	Parameter	Maximum	Minimum	Concentration Specified	Units	Monthly	Daily	Weekly	Loading* kg/day	Monthly	Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months
03864 - 1,2-Cis-Dichloroethene - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
34423 - Methylene Chloride - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
34496 - 1,1-Dichloroethane - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
34501 - 1,1-Dichloroethylene - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
34506 - 1,1,1-Trichloroethane - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
34546 - 1,2-trans-Dichloroethylene - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
39175 - Vinyl Chloride - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
39180 - Trichloroethylene - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
50050 - Flow Rate - MGD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	24hr Total	All
51600 - pH Range Excursion, Maximum Duration - Minutes	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Total	All
61941 - pH, Maximum - S.U.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Continuous	All
61942 - pH, Minimum - S.U.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Continuous	All
78389 - Tetrachloroethene - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
81551 - Xylene, Total - ug/l	5.0	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
82581 - pH Range Excursions, > 60 Minutes - Number/Day	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Total	All
82582 - pH Range Excursions, Monthly Total Duration - Minutes	446	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Total	All

Notes for station 1IN00006601:

- \* Effluent loadings based on average design flow of 1.152 MGD.
- Sampling shall be performed when discharging. If NO DISCHARGE OCCURS DURING THE ENTIRE MONTH, report "AL" in the first column of the first day of the month on the 4500 Form (Monthly Operating Report). A signature is still required.
- The pH limitations are 6.5 SU and 9.0 SU.
- See Part II, Item H.



## Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. Description of the location of the required sampling stations are as follows:

Sampling Station	Description of Location
1IN00006001	Final effluent from effluent weir located in the channel which collects various discharges from General Electric's building, and groundwater remediation, and on-site stormwater runoff. (Lat: 39 N 14 ' 16 "; Long: 84 W 26 ' 34 ")
1IN00006002	Final effluent from on-site and off-site stormwater, non-contact cooling water. (Lat: 39 N 13 ' 59 "; Long: 84 W 26 ' 34 ")
1IN00006601	Final effluent from the interim remedial measures ground water treatment system at the sampling tap.

B. This permit shall be modified, or alternatively, revoked and reissued, to comply with any applicable effluent standard or limitation issued or approved under Sections 301(b)(2)(C) and (D), 304(b)(2), and 307(a)(2) of the Clean Water Act, if the effluent standard or limitation so issued or approved.

1. Contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
2. Controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.

The permit as modified or reissued under this paragraph shall also contain any other requirements of the Act then applicable.

C. In the event that the permittee's operation requires the use of cooling or boiler water treatment additives that are discharged to surface waters of the state, written permission must be obtained from the director of the Ohio EPA prior to use. Discharges of these additives must meet Ohio Water Quality Standards and shall not be harmful or inimical to aquatic life. Reporting and testing requirements to apply for permission to use additives can be obtained from the Ohio EPA, Central Office, Division of Surface Water, Industrial Permits Unit. This information is also available on the DSW website:

[http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/policy/policy\\_index.aspx](http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/policy/policy_index.aspx).

D. Oil and grease shall be monitored once per month at monitoring station number 1IN00006002. This sample shall be collected between 30 and 60 minutes following the start of any one rainfall event occurring during the sampling period. In the event of multiple rainfall events during one sampling period, the permittee shall sample only the first of such rainfall events.

E. Permit limitations may be revised in order to meet water quality standards after a stream use determination and waste load allocation are completed and approved. This permit may be modified, or alternatively, revoked and reissued, to comply with any applicable water quality effluent limitations.

F. There shall be no detectable amount of any priority pollutant attributable to cooling tower maintenance chemicals in the cooling tower blowdown wastewater.

G. Composite samples shall be comprised of a series of grab samples collected over a 24-hour period and proportionate in volume to the wastewater flow rate at the time of sampling. Such samples shall be collected at such times and locations, and in such a fashion, as to be representative of the facility's overall performance.

H. Grab samples shall be collected at such times and locations, and in such fashion, as to be representative of the facility's performance.

I. Final permit limitations based on preliminary or approved waste load allocations are subject to change based on modifications to or finalization of the allocation or report or changes to Water Quality Standards. Monitoring requirements and/or special conditions of this permit are subject to change based on regulatory or policy changes.

J. Not later than 4 months from the effective date of this permit, the permittee shall post a permanent marker on the stream bank at each outfall that is regulated under this NPDES permit and discharges to Mill Creek. This includes final outfalls, bypasses, and combined sewer overflows. The marker shall consist at a minimum of the name of the establishment to which the permit was issued, the Ohio EPA permit number, and the outfall number and a contact telephone number. The information shall be printed in letters not less than two inches in height. The marker shall be a minimum of 2 feet by 2 feet and shall be a minimum of 3 feet above ground level. The sign shall be not be obstructed such that persons in boats or persons swimming on the river or someone fishing or walking along the shore cannot read the sign. Vegetation shall be periodically removed to keep the sign visible. If the outfall is normally submerged the sign shall indicate that. If the outfall is a combined sewer outfall, the sign shall indicate that untreated human sewage may be discharged from the outfall during wet weather and that harmful bacteria may be present in the water.

#### K. Biomonitoring Program Requirements

As soon as possible but not later than three months after the effective date of this permit, the entity shall initiate an effluent biomonitoring program to determine the toxicity of the effluent from outfall 1IN00006001 .

#### General Requirements

All toxicity testing conducted as required by this permit shall be done in accordance with Reporting and Testing Guidance for Biomonitoring Required by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (hereinafter, the "biomonitoring guidance"), Ohio EPA, 1991 (or current revision). The Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) or verification of SOP submittal, as described in Section 1.B. of the biomonitoring guidance shall be submitted no later than three months after the effective date of this permit. If the laboratory performing the testing has modified its protocols, a new SOP is required.

#### Testing Requirements

##### 1. Chronic Bioassays

The permittee shall conduct quarterly chronic toxicity tests using *Ceriodaphnia dubia* and fathead minnows (*Pimephales promelas*) on effluent samples from outfall 11N00006001. These tests shall be conducted as specified in Section 2 of the biomonitoring guidance.

##### 2. Data Review

###### a. Reporting

Following completion of each bioassay requirement, the permittee shall report results of the tests in accordance with Sections 2.H.1., 2.H.2.a., 3.H.1., and 3.H.2.a. of the biomonitoring guidance. Based on Ohio EPA's evaluation of the results, this permit may be modified to require additional biomonitoring, require a toxicity reduction evaluation, and/or contain whole effluent toxicity limits.

###### b. Definitions

- .  $TU_a = \text{Acute Toxic Units} = 100/LC_{50} \text{ or } 100/EC_{50}$
- .  $TU_c = \text{Chronic Toxic Units} = 100/\text{square root of } NOEC \times LOEC$

##### L. Monitoring Report Name Change

The name of the monitoring reports required for each effluent table contained in this permit has been changed from "Monthly Operating Report" (MOR) to "Discharge Monitoring Report" (DMR). The circumstances requiring the submittal of a DMR remain the same as those which were required for an MOR. Form 4500 must be used for DMR submittal.

#### M. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans

A storm water pollution prevention plan (plan) shall be developed to address each outfall that discharges to waters of the state that contains storm water associated with industrial activity. Stormwater pollution prevention plans shall be prepared in accordance with good engineering practices. The plan shall identify potential sources of pollution which may reasonably be expected to affect the quality of the storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the facility. In addition, the plan shall describe and ensure the implementation of practices which are used to reduce the pollutants in storm water discharges associated with industrial activity at the facility and to assure compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. The permittee must implement the provision of the storm water pollution prevention plan required under this part as a condition of this permit.

##### 1. Deadline for Plan Preparation and Compliance.

- a. The plan for a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity:
  - (1) shall be prepared within six months of the effective date of this permit (and updated as appropriate).
  - (2) shall provide for implementation and compliance with the terms of the plan within twelve months of the effective date of this permit.
- b. Upon showing of good cause, the Director may establish a later date for preparing and compliance with a plan for a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity.

##### 2. Signature and Plan Review

- a. The plan shall be signed in accordance with Part III.28, and be retained on-site at the facility which generates the storm water discharge.
- b. The permittee shall make the plan available upon request to the Ohio EPA Director, or authorized representative or Regional Administrator of U.S.EPA, or in the case of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity which discharges through a municipal separate storm sewer system, to the operator of the municipal sewer system.
- c. The Director may notify the permittee at any time that the plan does not meet one or more of the minimum requirements of Part II.M. Within 30 days of such notification from the Director, the permittee shall make the requested changes to the plan and submit to the Director a written certification that the requested changes have been made.
- d. All storm water pollution prevention plans required under this permit are considered reports that shall be available to the public under Section 308(b) of the Act. The permittee may choose to fulfill such requests by allowing viewing of its plan at its facilities, or choosing to copy the plan and sending it to the party making the request. The permittee may charge the party making the request a reasonable fee for copying the plan. The permittee may claim any portion of a storm water pollution plan as confidential in accordance with 40 CFR Part 2 and does not have to release any portion of the plan describing facility security measures (such as provided in Part II.M.4.f.(2)(H) [page 15] of this permit).

3. Keeping Plans Current.  
The permittee shall amend the plan whenever there is a change in design, construction, operation, or maintenance, that has a significant effect on the potential for the discharge of pollutants to waters of the State or if the storm water pollution prevention plan proves to be ineffective in eliminating or significantly minimizing pollutants from sources identified under Part II.M.4.b [page 11] of this permit, or otherwise achieve the general objectives of controlling pollutants in storm water discharges associated with industrial activity. Amendments to the plan may be reviewed by Ohio EPA in the same manner as Part II.M.2 above.
4. Contents of Plan. The plan shall include, at a minimum, the following items:
  - a. Pollution Prevention Team - Each plan shall identify a specific individual or individuals within the facility organization as members of a storm water Pollution Prevention Team that are responsible for developing the storm water pollution prevention plan and assisting the facility or plant manager in its implementation maintenance, and revision. The plan shall clearly identify the responsibilities of each team member. The activities and responsibilities of the team shall address all aspects of the facility's storm water pollution prevention plan.
  - b. Description of Potential Pollutant Sources. (This provision does not apply to non-storm water discharges authorized by this permit). Each plan shall provide a description of potential sources which may reasonably be expected to add significant amounts of pollutants to storm water discharges or which may result in the discharge of pollutants during dry weather from separate storm sewers draining the facility. Each plan shall identify all activities and significant materials which may potentially be significant pollutant sources. Each plan shall include, at a minimum:
    - (1) Drainage.
      - (A) A site map indicating an outline of the drainage area of each storm water outfall, each existing structural control measure to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff, surface water bodies, locations where significant materials are exposed to precipitation, locations where major spills or leaks identified under Part II.M.4.b.(3) [page 12] of this permit have occurred and the locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to precipitation: fueling stations, vehicle and equipment maintenance and/or cleaning areas, loading/unloading areas, locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes, liquid storage tanks, processing areas and storage areas.

(B) For each area of the facility that generates storm water discharges associated with industrial activity with the potential for containing significant amounts of pollutants, a prediction of the direction of flow, and an estimate of the types of pollutants which are likely to be present in storm water discharges associated with industrial activity. Flows with a significant potential for causing erosion shall be identified.

(2) Inventory of Exposed Materials. An inventory of the types of materials handled at the site that potentially may be exposed to precipitation. Such inventory shall include a narrative description of significant materials that have been handled, treated, stored or disposed in a manner to allow exposure to storm water between the time of three years prior to the date of the issuance of this permit and the present; method and location of on-site storage or disposal; materials management practices employed to minimize contact of materials with storm water runoff between the time of three years prior to the date of the issuance of this permit and the present; method and location of on-site storage or disposal; materials management practices employed to minimize contact of materials with storm water runoff between the time of three years prior to the date of issuance of this permit and the present; the location and a description of existing structural and non-structural control measures to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff; and a description of any treatment the storm water receives.

(3) Spills and Leaks. A list of significant spills and significant leaks of toxic or hazardous pollutants that occurred at the facility after the date of three years prior to the effective date of this permit.

(4) Sampling Data. A summary of the existing discharge sampling data describing pollutants in storm water discharges from the facility.

(5) Risk Identification and Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources. A narrative description of the potential pollutant sources at the following areas: loading and unloading operations; outdoor storage activities; outdoor manufacturing or processing activities; significant dust or particulate generating processes; and on-site waste disposal practices. The description shall specifically list any significant potential source of pollutants at the site and for each potential source, any pollutant or pollutant parameter (e.g. biochemical oxygen demand, etc.) of concerns shall be identified.

- c. Measures and Controls. The permittee shall develop a description of storm water management controls appropriate for the facility, and implement such controls. The appropriateness and priorities of controls in a plan shall reflect identified potential sources of Pollutants at the facility. The description of storm water management controls shall address the following minimum components, including a schedule for implementing such controls:
- (1) Good Housekeeping - Good housekeeping requires the maintenance of a clean, orderly facility.
  - (2) Preventative Maintenance - A preventative maintenance program shall involve inspection and maintenance of storm water management devices (e.g. cleaning oil water separators, catch basins) as well as inspecting and testing facility equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures resulting in discharges of pollutants to surface waters, and ensuring appropriate maintenance of such equipment and systems.
  - (3) Spill Prevention and Response Procedures - Areas where potential spills can occur, and their accompanying drainage points shall be identified clearly in the storm water pollution prevention plan. Where appropriate, specifying the material handling procedures, storage requirements and use of equipment such as diversion valves in the plan should be considered. Procedures for cleaning up spills shall be identified in the plan and made available to the appropriate personnel. The necessary equipment to implement a clean up should be available to personnel.
  - (4) Inspections - In addition to or as part of the the comprehensive site evaluation required under Part II.M.4.d [page 14] of this permit, qualified facility personnel shall be identified to inspect designated equipment and/or areas of the facility at appropriate intervals specified in the plan. A set of tracking or follow-up procedures shall be used to ensure that appropriate actions are taken in response to the inspections. Records of inspection shall be maintained. This could include, at a minimum, responsibility of the components and goals of the storm water pollution prevention plan training.
  - (5) Employee Training - Employee training programs shall inform personnel at all levels of responsibility of the components and goals of the storm water pollution prevention plant. Training should address topics such as spill response, good housekeeping and material management practices. The plan shall identify periodic dates for such training.
  - (6) Recordkeeping and Internal Reporting Procedures - A description of incidents such as spills, or other discharges, along with other information describing the quality and quantity of storm water discharges shall be included in the plan required under this part. Inspections and maintenance activities shall be documented and records of such activities shall be incorporated into the plan.
  - (7) Sediment and Erosion Control - The plan shall identify areas which, due to topography, activities, or other factors, have a high potential for significant soil erosion, and identify measures to limit erosion.

- . (8) Management of Runoff - The plan shall contain a narrative consideration of the  
. appropriateness of traditional storm water management practices (practices other  
. than those which control the source of pollutants) used to divert, infiltrate, reuse,  
. or otherwise manage storm water runoff in a manner that reduces pollutants in  
. storm water discharges from the site. The plans shall provide that  
. the measures determined to be reasonable and appropriate shall be implemented  
. and maintained. The plan shall provide that potential of the various sources at  
. the facility to contribute pollutants to storm water discharges associated with  
. industrial activity (see Part II.M.4.b.(2), (4) and (5) [page 12] of the  
. permit) shall be considered when determining reasonable and appropriate  
. measures. Appropriate measures may include: vegetative swales and  
. practices, reuse of collected storm water (such as for a process or as an  
. irrigation source), inlet controls (such as an oil/water separator), snow  
. management activities, infiltration devices, and wet detention/retention  
. devices.
- . d. Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation. Qualified personnel shall conduct  
. site compliance evaluations at appropriate intervals specified in the plan, but,  
. except as provided in Part II.M.4.c.(4) [page 13], in no case less than once a year.  
. Such evaluations shall provide:
  - . (1) Material handling areas and other potential sources of pollution identified in  
. the plan in accordance with Part II.M.4.b [page 11] of this permit shall be  
. visually inspected for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering  
. the drainage system. Structural storm water management measures  
. identified in the plan shall be observed to ensure that they are operating  
. correctly. A visual inspection of equipment needed to implement the  
. plan, such as the spill response equipment, shall be made.
  - . (2) Based on the results of the inspection, the plan shall be revised as appropriate  
. within two weeks of such inspection and shall provide for implementation of  
. any changes to the plan in a timely manner, but in no case more than twelve  
. weeks after the inspection.
  - . (3) A report summarizing the scope of the inspection, personnel making the  
. inspection, the date(s) of the inspection, major observations relating to  
. the implementation of the storm water pollution prevention plan, and actions  
. taken in accordance with Part II.M.4.d.(2) [page 14] of the permit shall be  
. made and retained as part of the storm water pollution prevention plan for  
. at least three years. The report shall be signed in accordance with  
. Part III.28 of this permit.
- . e. Consistency with other plans. Storm water pollution prevention plans may reflect  
. requirements for Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans  
. developed for the facility under section 311 of the Act or Best Management  
. Practices (BMP) Programs otherwise reflected by a NPDES permit for the facility  
. as long as such a requirement is incorporated into the storm water pollution  
. prevention plan.



f. Additional requirements for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from facilities subject to SARA Title III, Section 313 requirements (these additional requirements are not applicable to Section 313 Water Priority Chemicals in gaseous or non-soluble or solid [at atmospheric pressure and temperature] forms). In addition to the requirements of Part II.M.4.a through d [pages 11 through 14] of this permit and other applicable conditions of this permit, storm water pollution prevention plans for facilities subject to reporting requirements under SARA Title III, Section 313 for chemicals which are classified as "Section 313 water priority chemicals" in accordance with the definition in Part II.N of this permit, shall describe and ensure the implementation of practices which are necessary to provide for conformance with the following guidelines:

- (1) In areas where Section 313 water priority chemicals are stored, processed or otherwise handled, appropriate containment, drainage control and/or diversionary structures shall be provided. At a minimum one of the following preventative systems or its equivalent shall be used:
  - (A) Curbing, culverting, gutters, sewers or other forms of drainage control to prevent or minimize the potential for storm water run-on to come in contact with significant sources of pollutants; or
  - (B) Roofs, covers or other forms of appropriate protection to prevent storage piles from exposure to storm water, and wind blowing.
- (2) In addition to the minimum standards listed in Part II.M.4.(a-e) [pages 11-14] of this permit, the storm water pollution prevention plan shall include a complete discussion of measures taken to conform with the following applicable guidelines, other effective storm water pollution prevention procedures, and applicable State rules, regulations and guidelines:
  - (A) Liquid storage areas where storm water comes into contact with any equipment, tank, container, or other vessel used for Section 313 water priority chemicals.
    - (i) No tank or container shall be used for the storage of a Section 313 water priority chemical unless its material and construction are compatible with the material stored and conditions of storage such as pressure and temperature, etc.
    - (ii) Liquid storage areas for Section 313 water priority chemicals shall be operated to minimize discharges of Section 313 chemicals. Appropriate measures to minimize discharges of Section 313 chemicals may include secondary containment provided for at least the entire contents of the largest single tank plus sufficient freeboard to allow for precipitation, a strong spill contingency and integrity testing plan, and/or other equivalent measures.

- (B) Material storage areas for Section 313 water priority chemicals other than liquids. Material storage for Section 313 chemicals other than liquids which are subject to runoff, leaching or wind blowing shall incorporate drainage or other control features which will minimize the discharge of Section 313 water priority chemicals by reducing storm water contact with Section 313 water priority chemicals.
- (C) Truck and rail car loading and unloading areas for liquid Section 313 water priority chemicals. Truck and rail car loading and unloading areas for liquid Section 313 water priority chemicals shall be operated to minimize discharges of Section 313 water priority chemicals. Appropriate maintenance of drip pans where spillage may occur (such as hose connections, hose reels, and filler nozzles) for used when making and breaking hose connections; a strong contingency and integrity testing plan; and/or equivalent measures.
- (D) In facility areas where Section 313 water priority chemicals are transferred, processed or otherwise handled. Processing equipment and materials handling equipment shall be operated so as to minimize the discharges of Section 313 water priority chemicals. Materials used in piping and equipment shall be compatible with the substances handled. Drainage from process and materials handling areas shall be designed as described in paragraphs f.(1) and (2) [page 15] of this section. Additional protection such as covers or guards to prevent wind blowing, spraying or releases from pressure relief vents from causing a discharge of Section 313 water priority chemicals to the drainage system, and overhangs or door skirts to enclose trailer ends at truck loading/unloading docks shall be provided as appropriate. Visual inspections or leak tests shall be provided for overhead piping conveying Section 313 water priority chemicals without secondary containment.

- (E) Discharges from areas covered by paragraphs (A), (B), (C) and (D) [pages 15-16].
- (i) Drainage from areas covered by paragraphs (A), (B), (C) and (D) [pages 15-16] of this part should be restrained by valves or other positive means to prevent the discharge of a spill or other excessive leakage of Section 313 water priority chemicals. Where containment units are employed, such units may be emptied by pumps or ejectors; however these shall be manually activated.
  - (ii) Flapper-type drain valves shall not be used to drain containment areas. Valves used for the drainage of containment areas should, as far as is practical, shall be manual, open-and-closed design.
  - (iii) If facility drainage is not engineered as above, final discharge of all in-facility storm sewers shall be equipped to be equivalent with a diversion system that could, in the event of an uncontrolled spill of Section 313 water priority chemicals, return the spilled material to the facility.
  - (iv) Records shall be kept of the frequency and estimated volume (in gallons) of discharges from containment areas.
- (F) Facility site runoff other than from areas covered by Paragraphs (A), (B), (C) and (D) [page 12]. Other areas of the facility (those not addressed in paragraphs (A), (B), (C) and (D)) [page 12], from which runoff which may contain Section 313 water priority chemicals or spills of Section 313 water priority chemicals could cause a discharge shall incorporate the necessary drainage or other control features to prevent discharge of spilled or improperly disposed material and ensure the mitigation of pollutants in runoff or leachate.
- (G) Preventative maintenance and housekeeping. All areas of the facility shall be inspected at specific intervals for leaks or conditions that could lead to discharges of Section 313 water priority chemicals or direct contact of storm water with raw materials, intermediate materials, waste materials or products. In particular, facility piping, pumps, storage tanks and bins, pressure vessels, process and material handling equipment, and material bulk storage area shall be examined for any conditions or failures which could cause a discharge. Inspection shall include examination for leaks, wind blowing, corrosion, support or foundation failure, or other forms of deterioration or non-containment. Inspection intervals shall be specified in the plan and shall be based on design and operational experience. Different areas may require different inspection intervals. Where a leak or other condition is discovered which may result in significant releases of Section 313 water priority chemicals to the drainage system, corrective action shall be taken immediately or the unit or process shut down until corrective action can be taken. When a leak or non-containment of a Section 313 water priority chemical has occurred, contaminated soil, debris or other material must be promptly removed and disposed of in accordance with Federal, State and local requirements and as described in the plan.

- . (H) Facility security. Facilities shall have the necessary security systems to  
. prevent accidental or intentional entry which could cause discharge.  
. Security systems described in the plan shall address fencing, lighting,  
. vehicular traffic control, and securing of equipment and buildings.
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. (I) Training. Facility employees and contractor personnel using the facility  
. shall be trained in and informed of preventative measures at the facility.  
. Employee training shall be conducted at intervals specified in the  
. plan, but not less than once per year, in matters of pollution control  
. laws and regulations, and in the storm water pollution prevention plan  
. and the particular features of the facility and its operation which are  
. designed to minimize discharges of Section 313 water priority chemicals.  
. The plans shall designate a person who is accountable for spill  
. prevention at the facility and who will set up the necessary spill  
. emergency procedure and reporting requirements so that spills and  
. emergency releases of Section 313 water priority chemicals can be  
. isolated and contained before a discharge of a Section 313 water priority  
. chemical can occur. Contractor or temporary personnel shall be informed  
. of facility operation and design features in order to prevent discharges or  
. spills from occurring.
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. g. Additional Requirements for Salt Storage. Storage of piles of salt used for  
. deicing or other commercial or industrial purposes and which generate storm  
. water discharge associated with industrial activity which is discharged into  
. waters of the United States shall be enclosed or covered to prevent  
. exposure to precipitation, except for exposure resulting from adding or removing  
. materials from the pile within two years of the effective date of this permit. Piles  
. do not need to be enclosed or covered where storm water from the pile is not  
. discharged to waters of the State.

#### N. Definition of Section 313 Water Priority Chemical

"Section 313 water priority chemical" means a chemical or chemical categories which are: 1) are listed at 40 CFR 372.65 pursuant to Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 also titled the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986; 2) are present at or above threshold levels at a facility subject to SARA Title III, Section 313 reporting requirements and 3) that meet at least one of the following criteria: (i) are listed in Appendix D of 40 CFR 122 on either Table II (organic priority pollutants), Table III (certain metals, cyanides and phenols) or Table V (certain toxic pollutants and hazardous substances); (ii) are listed as a hazardous substance pursuant to section 311(b)(2)(A) of the Act at 40 CFR 116.4; or (iii) are pollutants for which EPA has published acute or chronic water quality standards.

### PART III - GENERAL CONDITIONS

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

"Daily discharge" means the discharge of a pollutant measured during a calendar day or any 24-hour period that reasonably represents the calendar day for purposes of sampling. For pollutants with limitations expressed in units of mass, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the day. For pollutants with limitations expressed in other units of measurement, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the average measurement of the pollutant over the day.

"Average weekly" discharge limitation means the highest allowable average of "daily discharges" over a calendar week, calculated as the sum of all "daily discharges" measured during a calendar week divided by the number of "daily discharges" measured during that week. Each of the following 7-day periods is defined as a calendar week: Week 1 is Days 1 - 7 of the month; Week 2 is Days 8 - 14; Week 3 is Days 15 - 21; and Week 4 is Days 22 - 28. If the "daily discharge" on days 29, 30 or 31 exceeds the "average weekly" discharge limitation, Ohio EPA may elect to evaluate the last 7 days of the month as Week 4 instead of Days 22 - 28. Compliance with fecal coliform bacteria or E coli bacteria limitations shall be determined using the geometric mean.

"Average monthly" discharge limitation means the highest allowable average of "daily discharges" over a calendar month, calculated as the sum of all "daily discharges" measured during a calendar month divided by the number of "daily discharges" measured during that month. Compliance with fecal coliform bacteria or E coli bacteria limitations shall be determined using the geometric mean.

"85 percent removal" means the arithmetic mean of the values for effluent samples collected in a period of 30 consecutive days shall not exceed 15 percent of the arithmetic mean of the values for influent samples collected at approximately the same times during the same period.

"Absolute Limitations" Compliance with limitations having descriptions of "shall not be less than," "nor greater than," "shall not exceed," "minimum," or "maximum" shall be determined from any single value for effluent samples and/or measurements collected.

"Net concentration" shall mean the difference between the concentration of a given substance in a sample taken of the discharge and the concentration of the same substances in a sample taken at the intake which supplies water to the given process. For the purpose of this definition, samples that are taken to determine the net concentration shall always be 24-hour composite samples made up of at least six increments taken at regular intervals throughout the plant day.

"Net Load" shall mean the difference between the load of a given substance as calculated from a sample taken of the discharge and the load of the same substance in a sample taken at the intake which supplies water to given process. For purposes of this definition, samples that are taken to determine the net loading shall always be 24-hour composite samples made up of at least six increments taken at regular intervals throughout the plant day.

"MGD" means million gallons per day.

"mg/l" means milligrams per liter.

"ug/l" means micrograms per liter.

"ng/l" means nanograms per liter.

"S.U." means standard pH unit.

"kg/day" means kilograms per day.

"Reporting Code" is a five digit number used by the Ohio EPA in processing reported data. The reporting code does not imply the type of analysis used nor the sampling techniques employed.

"Quarterly (1/Quarter) sampling frequency" means the sampling shall be done in the months of March, June, August, and December, unless specifically identified otherwise in the Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements table.

"Yearly (1/Year) sampling frequency" means the sampling shall be done in the month of September, unless specifically identified otherwise in the effluent limitations and monitoring requirements table.

"Semi-annual (2/Year) sampling frequency" means the sampling shall be done during the months of June and December, unless specifically identified otherwise.

"Winter" shall be considered to be the period from November 1 through April 30.

"Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of the treatment facility.

"Summer" shall be considered to be the period from May 1 through October 31.

"Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which would cause them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

"Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

"Sewage sludge" means a solid, semi-solid, or liquid residue generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works as defined in section 6111.01 of the Revised Code. "Sewage sludge" includes, but is not limited to, scum or solids removed in primary, secondary, or advanced wastewater treatment processes. "Sewage sludge" does not include ash generated during the firing of sewage sludge in a sewage sludge incinerator, grit and screenings generated during preliminary treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works, animal manure, residue generated during treatment of animal manure, or domestic septage.

"Sewage sludge weight" means the weight of sewage sludge, in dry U.S. tons, including admixtures such as liming materials or bulking agents. Monitoring frequencies for sewage sludge parameters are based on the reported sludge weight generated in a calendar year (use the most recent calendar year data when the NPDES permit is up for renewal).

"Sewage sludge fee weight" means the weight of sewage sludge, in dry U.S. tons, excluding admixtures such as liming materials or bulking agents. Annual sewage sludge fees, as per section 3745.11(Y) of the Ohio Revised Code, are based on the reported sludge fee weight for the most recent calendar year.

## 2. GENERAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

The effluent shall, at all times, be free of substances:

- A. In amounts that will settle to form putrescent, or otherwise objectionable, sludge deposits; or that will adversely affect aquatic life or water fowl;
- B. Of an oily, greasy, or surface-active nature, and of other floating debris, in amounts that will form noticeable accumulations of scum, foam or sheen;
- C. In amounts that will alter the natural color or odor of the receiving water to such degree as to create a nuisance;
- D. In amounts that either singly or in combination with other substances are toxic to human, animal, or aquatic life;
- E. In amounts that are conducive to the growth of aquatic weeds or algae to the extent that such growths become inimical to more desirable forms of aquatic life, or create conditions that are unsightly, or constitute a nuisance in any other fashion;
- F. In amounts that will impair designated instream or downstream water uses.

## 3. FACILITY OPERATION AND QUALITY CONTROL

All wastewater treatment works shall be operated in a manner consistent with the following:

- A. At all times, the permittee shall maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible all treatment or control facilities or systems installed or used by the permittee necessary to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with conditions of the permit.
- B. The permittee shall effectively monitor the operation and efficiency of treatment and control facilities and the quantity and quality of the treated discharge.
- C. Maintenance of wastewater treatment works that results in degradation of effluent quality shall be scheduled during non-critical water quality periods and shall be carried out in a manner approved by Ohio EPA as specified in the Paragraph in the PART III entitled, "UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES".

#### 4. REPORTING

A. Monitoring data required by this permit shall be submitted on Ohio EPA 4500 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) forms using the electronic DMR (e-DMR) internet application. e-DMR allows permitted facilities to enter, sign, and submit DMRs on the internet. e-DMR information is found on the following web page:

<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/edmr/eDMR.aspx>

Alternatively, if you are unable to use e-DMR due to a demonstrated hardship, monitoring data may be submitted on paper DMR forms provided by Ohio EPA. Monitoring data shall be typed on the forms. Please contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water at (614) 644-2050 if you wish to receive paper DMR forms.

B. DMRs shall be signed by a facility's Responsible Official or a Delegated Responsible Official (i.e. a person delegated by the Responsible Official). The Responsible Official of a facility is defined as:

1. For corporations - a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision making functions for the corporation; or the manager of one or more manufacturing, production or operating facilities, provided the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including having explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long-term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures;
2. For partnerships - a general partner;
3. For a sole proprietorship - the proprietor; or,
4. For a municipality, state or other public facility - a principal executive officer, a ranking elected official or other duly authorized employee.

For e-DMR, the person signing and submitting the DMR will need to obtain an eBusiness Center account and Personal Identification Number (PIN). Additionally, Delegated Responsible Officials must be delegated by the Responsible Official, either on-line using the eBusiness Center's delegation function, or on a paper delegation form provided by Ohio EPA. For more information on the PIN and delegation processes, please view the following web page:

<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/edmr/eDMRpin.aspx>

C. DMRs submitted using e-DMR shall be submitted to Ohio EPA by the 20th day of the month following the month-of-interest. DMRs submitted on paper must include the original signed DMR form and shall be mailed to Ohio EPA at the following address so that they are received no later than the 15th day of the month following the month-of-interest:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Lazarus Government Center  
Division of Surface Water - PCU  
P.O. Box 1049  
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049



D. Regardless of the submission method, a paper copy of the submitted Ohio EPA 4500 DMR shall be maintained onsite for records retention purposes (see Section 7. RECORDS RETENTION). For e-DMR users, view and print the DMR from the Submission Report Information page after each original or revised DMR is submitted. For submittals on paper, make a copy of the completed paper form after it is signed by a Responsible Official or a Delegated Responsible Official.

E. If the permittee monitors any pollutant at the location(s) designated herein more frequently than required by this permit, using approved analytical methods as specified in Section 5. SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL METHODS, the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values required in the reports specified above.

F. Analyses of pollutants not required by this permit, except as noted in the preceding paragraph, shall not be reported to the Ohio EPA, but records shall be retained as specified in Section 7. RECORDS RETENTION.

#### 5. SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL METHOD

Samples and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored flow. Test procedures for the analysis of pollutants shall conform to regulation 40 CFR 136, "Test Procedures For The Analysis of Pollutants" unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit. The permittee shall periodically calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring and analytical instrumentation at intervals to insure accuracy of measurements.

#### 6. RECORDING OF RESULTS

For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this permit, the permittee shall record the following information:

- A. The exact place and date of sampling; (time of sampling not required on EPA 4500)
- B. The person(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- C. The date the analyses were performed on those samples;
- D. The person(s) who performed the analyses;
- E. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- F. The results of all analyses and measurements.

## 7. RECORDS RETENTION

The permittee shall retain all of the following records for the wastewater treatment works for a minimum of three years except those records that pertain to sewage sludge disposal, use, storage, or treatment, which shall be kept for a minimum of five years, including:

- A. All sampling and analytical records (including internal sampling data not reported);
- B. All original recordings for any continuous monitoring instrumentation;
- C. All instrumentation, calibration and maintenance records;
- D. All plant operation and maintenance records;
- E. All reports required by this permit; and
- F. Records of all data used to complete the application for this permit for a period of at least three years, or five years for sewage sludge, from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application.

These periods will be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation, or when requested by the Regional Administrator or the Ohio EPA. The three year period, or five year period for sewage sludge, for retention of records shall start from the date of sample, measurement, report, or application.

## 8. AVAILABILITY OF REPORTS

Except for data determined by the Ohio EPA to be entitled to confidential status, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the appropriate district offices of the Ohio EPA. Both the Clean Water Act and Section 6111.05 Ohio Revised Code state that effluent data and receiving water quality data shall not be considered confidential.

## 9. DUTY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

The permittee shall furnish to the Director, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking, and reissuing, or terminating the permit, or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Director, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

## 10. RIGHT OF ENTRY

The permittee shall allow the Director or an authorized representative upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law to:

- A. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit.
- B. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit.
- C. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit.
- D. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act, any substances or parameters at any location.

## 11. UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES

A. Bypass Not Exceeding Limitations - The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of paragraphs 11.B and 11.C.

### B. Notice

1. Anticipated Bypass - If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.

2. Unanticipated Bypass - The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in paragraph 12.B (24 hour notice).

### C. Prohibition of Bypass

1. Bypass is prohibited, and the Director may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:

- a. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
- b. There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and

c. The permittee submitted notices as required under paragraph 11.B.

2. The Director may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Director determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in paragraph 11.C.1.

## 12. NONCOMPLIANCE NOTIFICATION

### A. Exceedance of a Daily Maximum Discharge Limit

1. The permittee shall report noncompliance that is the result of any violation of a daily maximum discharge limit for any of the pollutants listed by the Director in the permit by e-mail or telephone within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery.

The permittee may report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office e-mail account as follows (this method is preferred):

Southeast District Office: sedo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
Southwest District Office: swdo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
Northwest District Office: nwdo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
Northeast District Office: nedo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
Central District Office: cdo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
Central Office: co24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us

The permittee shall attach a noncompliance report to the e-mail. A noncompliance report form is available on the following web site:

<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/permits/permits.aspx>

Or, the permittee may report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office by telephone toll-free between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM as follows:

Southeast District Office: (800) 686-7330  
Southwest District Office: (800) 686-8930  
Northwest District Office: (800) 686-6930  
Northeast District Office: (800) 686-6330  
Central District Office: (800) 686-2330  
Central Office: (614) 644-2001

The permittee shall include the following information in the telephone noncompliance report:

- a. The name of the permittee, and a contact name and telephone number;
- b. The limit(s) that has been exceeded;
- c. The extent of the exceedance(s);
- d. The cause of the exceedance(s);
- e. The period of the exceedance(s) including exact dates and times;
- f. If uncorrected, the anticipated time the exceedance(s) is expected to continue; and,
- g. Steps taken to reduce, eliminate or prevent occurrence of the exceedance(s).

**B. Other Permit Violations**

1. The permittee shall report noncompliance that is the result of any unanticipated bypass resulting in an exceedance of any effluent limit in the permit or any upset resulting in an exceedance of any effluent limit in the permit by e-mail or telephone within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery.

The permittee may report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office e-mail account as follows (this method is preferred):

Southeast District Office: sedo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
Southwest District Office: swdo24hournpdes@epa.state.oh.us  
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The permittee shall include the following information in the telephone noncompliance report:

- a. The name of the permittee, and a contact name and telephone number;
- b. The time(s) at which the discharge occurred, and was discovered;
- c. The approximate amount and the characteristics of the discharge;
- d. The stream(s) affected by the discharge;
- e. The circumstances which created the discharge;
- f. The name and telephone number of the person(s) who have knowledge of these circumstances;
- g. What remedial steps are being taken; and,
- h. The name and telephone number of the person(s) responsible for such remedial steps.

2. The permittee shall report noncompliance that is the result of any spill or discharge which may endanger human health or the environment within thirty (30) minutes of discovery by calling the 24-Hour Emergency Hotline toll-free at (800) 282-9378. The permittee shall also report the spill or discharge by e-mail or telephone within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery in accordance with B.1 above.

C. When the telephone option is used for the noncompliance reports required by A and B, the permittee shall submit to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office a confirmation letter and a completed noncompliance report within five (5) days of the discovery of the noncompliance. This follow up report is not necessary for the e-mail option which already includes a completed noncompliance report.

D. If the permittee is unable to meet any date for achieving an event, as specified in a schedule of compliance in their permit, the permittee shall submit a written report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office within fourteen (14) days of becoming aware of such a situation. The report shall include the following:

1. The compliance event which has been or will be violated;
2. The cause of the violation;
3. The remedial action being taken;
4. The probable date by which compliance will occur; and,
5. The probability of complying with subsequent and final events as scheduled.

E. The permittee shall report all other instances of permit noncompliance not reported under paragraphs A or B of this section on their monthly DMR submission. The DMR shall contain comments that include the information listed in paragraphs A or B as appropriate.

F. If the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit an application, or submitted incorrect information in an application or in any report to the director, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

13. RESERVED

14. DUTY TO MITIGATE

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

## 15. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES

All discharges authorized herein shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. The discharge of any pollutant identified in this permit more frequently than, or at a level in excess of, that authorized by this permit shall constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of this permit. Such violations may result in the imposition of civil and/or criminal penalties as provided for in Section 309 of the Act and Ohio Revised Code Sections 6111.09 and 6111.99.

## 16. DISCHARGE CHANGES

The following changes must be reported to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office as soon as practicable:

A. For all treatment works, any significant change in character of the discharge which the permittee knows or has reason to believe has occurred or will occur which would constitute cause for modification or revocation and reissuance. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. Notification of permit changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

B. For publicly owned treatment works:

1. Any proposed plant modification, addition, and/or expansion that will change the capacity or efficiency of the plant;
2. The addition of any new significant industrial discharge; and
3. Changes in the quantity or quality of the wastes from existing tributary industrial discharges which will result in significant new or increased discharges of pollutants.

C. For non-publicly owned treatment works, any proposed facility expansions, production increases, or process modifications, which will result in new, different, or increased discharges of pollutants.

Following this notice, modifications to the permit may be made to reflect any necessary changes in permit conditions, including any necessary effluent limitations for any pollutants not identified and limited herein. A determination will also be made as to whether a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review will be required. Sections 6111.44 and 6111.45, Ohio Revised Code, require that plans for treatment works or improvements to such works be approved by the Director of the Ohio EPA prior to initiation of construction.

D. In addition to the reporting requirements under 40 CFR 122.41(l) and per 40 CFR 122.42(a), all existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers must notify the Director as soon as they know or have reason to believe:

1. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge on a routine or frequent basis of any toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit. If that discharge will exceed the highest of the "notification levels" specified in 40 CFR Sections 122.42(a)(1)(i) through 122.42(a)(1)(iv).
2. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge, on a non-routine or infrequent basis, of a toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the "notification levels" specified in 122.42(a)(2)(i) through 122.42(a)(2)(iv).

## 17. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307 (a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement. Following establishment of such standards or prohibitions, the Director shall modify this permit and so notify the permittee.

**18. PERMIT MODIFICATION OR REVOCATION**

A. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be modified or revoked, by the Ohio EPA, in whole or in part during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Violation of any terms or conditions of this permit;
2. Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts; or
3. Change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge.

B. Pursuant to rule 3745-33-04, Ohio Administrative Code, the permittee may at any time apply to the Ohio EPA for modification of any part of this permit. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification or revocation does not stay any permit condition. The application for modification should be received by the appropriate Ohio EPA district office at least ninety days before the date on which it is desired that the modification become effective. The application shall be made only on forms approved by the Ohio EPA.

**19. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL**

This permit may be transferred or assigned and a new owner or successor can be authorized to discharge from this facility, provided the following requirements are met:

A. The permittee shall notify the succeeding owner or successor of the existence of this permit by a letter, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office. The copy of that letter will serve as the permittee's notice to the Director of the proposed transfer. The copy of that letter shall be received by the appropriate Ohio EPA district office sixty (60) days prior to the proposed date of transfer;

B. A written agreement containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility and coverage between the current and new permittee (including acknowledgement that the existing permittee is liable for violations up to that date, and that the new permittee is liable for violations from that date on) shall be submitted to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office within sixty days after receipt by the district office of the copy of the letter from the permittee to the succeeding owner;

At anytime during the sixty (60) day period between notification of the proposed transfer and the effective date of the transfer, the Director may prevent the transfer if he concludes that such transfer will jeopardize compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit. If the Director does not prevent transfer, he will modify the permit to reflect the new owner.

**20. OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIABILITY**

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under Section 311 of the Clean Water Act.

**21. SOLIDS DISPOSAL**

Collected grit and screenings, and other solids other than sewage sludge, shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent entry of those wastes into waters of the state, and in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

**22. CONSTRUCTION AFFECTING NAVIGABLE WATERS**

This permit does not authorize or approve the construction of any onshore or offshore physical structures or facilities or the undertaking of any work in any navigable waters.

### 23. CIVIL AND CRIMINAL LIABILITY

Except as exempted in the permit conditions on UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES or UPSETS, nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance.

### 24. STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable state law or regulation under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Clean Water Act.

### 25. PROPERTY RIGHTS

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of federal, state, or local laws or regulations.

### 26. UPSET

The provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41(n), relating to "Upset," are specifically incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. For definition of "upset," see Part III, Paragraph 1, DEFINITIONS.

### 27. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.

### 28. SIGNATORY REQUIREMENTS

All applications submitted to the Director shall be signed and certified in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 122.22.

All reports submitted to the Director shall be signed and certified in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR Section 122.22.

### 29. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Where the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to the Director, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

B. ORC 6111.99 provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 per violation.

C. ORC 6111.99 states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 per violation.

D. ORC 6111.99 provides that any person who violates Sections 6111.04, 6111.042, 6111.05, or division (A) of Section 6111.07 of the Revised Code shall be fined not more than \$25,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.



30. NEED TO HALT OR REDUCE ACTIVITY

40 CFR 122.41(c) states that it shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with conditions of this permit.

31. APPLICABLE FEDERAL RULES

All references to 40 CFR in this permit mean the version of 40 CFR which is effective as of the effective date of this permit.

32. AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC SEWERS

Notwithstanding the issuance or non-issuance of an NPDES permit to a semi-public disposal system, whenever the sewage system of a publicly owned treatment works becomes available and accessible, the permittee operating any semi-public disposal system shall abandon the semi-public disposal system and connect it into the publicly owned treatment works.